

Agenda Item 10C

Resolution 04-10-02. Resolution Recommending to the Department of Water Resources that it Proceed with its Local Groundwater Assistance Program Proposal Solicitation Package, Consistent with the Stated Priorities, Solicitation and Evaluation Criteria and Process, and Schedule

DWR
Local Groundwater Assistance
Program

Local Groundwater Assistance Grants

- Statute Passed in 2000 (AB 303)
- *“grants to conduct groundwater studies or to carry out groundwater monitoring and management activities”*
- Conducted Four Previous Funding Cycles
- Awarded \$21.4 million
- Funded 99 Grant Projects
- Completed 45 Grant Projects

Technical Advisory Panel

- Mandated in Water Code (§10795.12)
- Appointed by Secretary of Resources
- Make-up of the Panel
 - Experience/knowledge of groundwater resources
 - 3 local agency board members
 - Adopted groundwater management plan
 - Licensed Civil Engineer, Geologist, & Hydrogeologist
 - 1 member from each Hydrologic Region
- Input on process and award recommendations

Proposal Solicitation Package

- Posted on-line at:
<http://www.grantsloans.water.ca.gov/grants/assistance.cfm>
- Modifications from previous PSP
 - Incorporated TAP recommendations
 - Emphasized consistency with Groundwater Management Plan standards (§ 10750 *et seq.*)
 - Clarified requested information
 - Simplified scoring method

Schedule

- Application Workshops
 - October 19 – Sacramento
 - October 20 – San Diego
 - October 22 – Redding
 - October 26 – Bakersfield

Schedule

- **December 2, 2004 – Applications Due**
- *March 2005* – DWR complete ranking
- *April–May 2005* – TAP & Public meeting
 - Solicit input on funding recommendations
 - Solicit input on revisions to FY06 PSP
- *May 2005* – CBDA Meeting
- *June 2005* – DWR Director approves awards